

SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION 796

By Niceley

A RESOLUTION to honor and commend Imperial Transport of Tennessee, Inc., for its assistance to the victims of the December 2021 tornadoes in West Tennessee.

WHEREAS, during the late night and early morning hours of December 10 and 11, 2021, the State of Tennessee was struck by approximately two dozen tornadoes with devastating fury; the storms laid waste to a large portion of West Tennessee, including the Reelfoot Lake area, with multiple deaths recorded; and

WHEREAS, just two weeks before Christmas, members of the Tennessee REALTORS® quickly organized and raised funds to purchase a semi-truck full of toys to be delivered to the communities impacted; in less than forty-eight hours, they raised over \$40,000; and

WHEREAS, generously volunteering their services, Imperial Transport of Tennessee, Inc., stood in for Santa Claus and his reindeer as they drove the full truckload of toys from Middle Tennessee to West Tennessee on December 20, 2021, bringing a bit of joy to the children of communities who had lost so much; and

WHEREAS, it has been said that the human race is at its best when circumstances are at their worst; this adage is proven by the generous and compassionate manner in which the residents of this great State opened their hearts to assist their fellow Tennesseans; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE OF THE ONE HUNDRED TWELFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES CONCURRING, that we honor and commend the owners and employees of Imperial Transport of Tennessee, Inc., for their exemplary professional assistance in bringing much-needed Christmas cheer and humanitarian aid to the residents of West Tennessee after the devastating

December tornadoes. We extend our deepest appreciation to these tremendous individuals who truly personify the Volunteer State.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that an appropriate copy of this resolution be prepared for presentation with this final clause omitted from such copy and upon proper request made to the appropriate clerk, the language appearing immediately following the State seal appear without House or Senate designation.